

J.L. Francis Elementary

Spring/ Summer School Counselor's Newsletter

Career Day @ Francis Emphasizing “College and University Day”

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Mission:

The Mission of the J. L. Francis school counseling program aligns with the school vision which is: to support students as lifelong learners so they can achieve their full potential. School counselors, as professional school advocates, will provide a comprehensive, developmental counseling program to address the academic, career and personal/ social needs of all students. In unison with the students, staff, parents, and community members, the school counselor will facilitate a positive, supportive and culturally sensitive program that will ensure a school community that is a safe, healthy and nurturing environment for all.

Vision:

I believe that all children should be serviced in school.

I believe it is my obligation to provide students with a warm inviting school climates which foster learning.

I believe parental involvement is a critical component to student achievement academically, personally and socially.

I believe that we must work as a school to provide all students with the guidance and motivation needed for them to be successful.

I believe that student data drives my counseling program.

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Special points of interest:

- *Career Day*
- *Parents please work close with students in grades 3-5 and re-view/practice with them for SOL assessment*
- *Parents monitor students completion of homework (K-5)*
- *Parents use flashcards daily with your child*
- *SOL Testing Dates*



My Philosophy of a School Counselor

As a School Counselor it's our obligation to service every child and provide them with and enriched academic environment which fosters life-learners. Through academics, social/ personal and career counseling we must motivate children to excel in all ventures throughout the educational process. We must conduct ourselves in a professional manner and maintain a commitment to every child to help them reach their full potential. All stakeholders must work collaboratively to reinforce student achievement across the board.

March Events 2

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Schedule of Events

- ◆ 03/1 World Math Day
- ◆ PTA Executive
- ◆ Board Meeting
- ◆ Voyager Benchmark 3 (k-2)
- ◆ 03/2 Kids economic workshop
- ◆ 03/4 End of interim report period
- ◆ 4th grade trip to Montpelier
- ◆ Site word celebration for kindergarten
- ◆ 03/7-03/9 SOL Writing Test
- ◆ 03/9 Voyager Benchmark 3(k-2) ends
- ◆ 03/10-3/11 Teacher parent conference
- ◆ 03/17 Mind Games
- ◆ 2/3 Lucille Brown
- ◆ 03/21 School Science Fair Judging
- ◆ 03/22 Community night
- ◆ 03/23 Young Author's Celebration
- ◆ 03/24 RIF Distribution
- ◆ 03/25 Mind Games 4/5
- ◆ 3rd nine weeks Benchmark 3/25-4/8
- ◆ 03/28-3/30 RPS Science Fair Science Mus. Of VA
- ◆ 03/29 Reading 9 weeks
- ◆ 03/30 Kindergarten Field trip to Science Museum of Richmond at Short Pump
- ◆ 03/31 Math 9weeks



03/17/11 Happy St. Patrick's



3/20/11

March 2011

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What's going on in March?



March is the month to focus on "the importance of furthering your education" with grade K-5

April 2011

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What's going on in April?

04/01/11 Career Day

04/01/11 April Fool's Day



04/22/11 Earth Day



04/24/11 Happy Easter



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04/30/11
Happy 3rd Birthday Darnell Yates II



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Schedule of Events

- ♦ 04/01 Career Day/ College and University Day
- ♦ 04/05 3rd grade field trip to Children's Museum 9:15-11:30a.m
- ♦ Science 9 weeks
- ♦ 04/06 Social Studies 9weeks
- ♦ 04/07 K and Pre-K Registration
- ♦ 04/08 End 3rd Nine Weeks
- ♦ PBIS Celebration Mr. Spackman
- ♦ Early dismissal for students
- ♦ 04/11 Spring Newsletter to Parents
- ♦ 04/12 5th grade PTA Awards night
- ♦ 04/14 3rd grade field trip to Tredegar Mills 9:15a.m-1:30p.m
- ♦ 04/18- 04/22 Spring Break
- ♦ 04/24 Take our sons and daughters to work
- ♦ 04/25-04/29 Scholastic Book fair
- ♦ 04/25-05/06 Math-Algebra Readiness Diagnostic Test Grades 4-5



April is the month to focus on "Carrying Out Your Dreams"- Career/Career

Schedule of Events

- ◆ 05/02 VDI Pals Assessment
- ◆ 05/02- 05/06 PTA Teacher appreciation week begins
- ◆ 05/06 Math-Algebra Diagnostic Test ends
- ◆ 05/11 Trip to Virginia Museum 9:50a.m. Mrs. Gray
- ◆ 05/12 All Day RIF distribution (Library)
- ◆ 05/13 Father breakfast at Chamberlayne Center 8:30-12 Ms. Henderson
- ◆ 05/16 SOL Assessments Reading/Math
- ◆ 05/18 Danielle's 21st B-day
- ◆ 05/20 All PALS data due online
- ◆ Lesson plans due 4th/1st
- ◆ 05/23 Pep Rally (SOL Test) All grades K-5
- ◆ 05/24-06/03 SOL Testing Begins (History/Social Science)
- ◆ 05/27 Final PBIS Celebration Field Day (Mr. Miles)
- ◆ 05/30 Memorial Day

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What's going on in May?

05/08/11 Happy Mother's Day



05/30/11 Memorial Day



May is the month to focus on "Being on Time and Task" with grades K-5

June 2011

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What's going on in June?

Schedule of Events

- ♦ 06/03 Lesson Plans Due 3rd/ K/PK/2nd/Specialist/ Itinerant

SOL Testing Documents due in testing services

- ♦ 06/09 2nd grade Camp Thunderbird Water Safety Day 9:30 -11 10:30-12:30
- ♦ 06/10 All lesson plan/grade books due
- ♦ 06/13 2nd Annual Book Tasting w/ Americorps
- ♦ 06/14 Yearbook signing all grades
- ♦ 06/15 VPI Graduation/ Pictures
- ♦ 06/16 Voyager end of year celebration

9a.m. School Awards

- ♦ 06/17 5th grade moving on ceremony and pics
- ♦ 06/21 Student's Last Day of School
- ♦ 06/22 Teacher Workday

06/19/11 Happy Father's Day



06/21/11 1st day of Summer



June is the month to focus on "Conflict Resolutions/ Behavior Management: with grades K-5

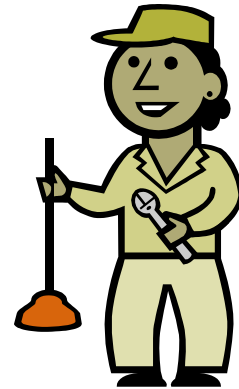
You can be whatever you want to be:
Career Day April 1st 2011



Firefighter



Anesthesiologist



Plumber



Butcher



Painter



Architect



Singer



Dentist